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PETER B. CARLISLE MAYOR



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August 22, 2012

The Honorable Ernest Y. Martin, Chair and Members Honolulu City Council 530 South King Street, Room 202 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Chair Martin and Councilmembers:

The Office of the Mayor has received invitations from the Chinese People's Association for Friendship with Foreign Countries (CPAFFC) and Sister Cities International to attend the 2012 China International Friendship Cities Conference in our sister-city of Chengdu from September 11 to September 14, 2012. This visit will provide opportunities to discuss ways to further cooperate in economic development, assist companies looking for business opportunities with Honolulu, strengthen sister-city relations, and expand tourism to Honolulu.

China represents an important part of our international community, as many of Honolulu's residents have ties to that country, and our tourism industry is shifting slowly towards more arrivals of Chinese tourists.

The gift form is currently in the process of being signed and will include hotel accommodations, ground transportation, and meals for Mayor Peter B. Carlisle and International Relations Officer John S. Chang. Enclosed is a draft resolution for acceptance of this gift with the understanding that the executed declaration of gift be provided immediately upon receipt by our office.

Please feel free to contact me at 768-5761 with any questions regarding this gift.

Sincerely yours

Ann Chung

Director, Office of Economic Development

Approved by:

Douglas S. Chin Managing Director

Enclosures



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### RESOLUTION

RELATING TO THE ACCEPTANCE OF A GIFT TO THE CITY FROM CHENGDU MUNICIPAL PEOPLE'S GOVERNMENT TO ATTEND THE 2012 CHINA INTERNATIONAL FRIENDSHIP CONFERENCE.

WHEREAS, Section 13-113 of the Revised Charter of the City and County of Honolulu provides for the acceptance of gifts to the City by the Council of the City and County of Honolulu; and

WHEREAS, Resolution 05-349, CD1, FD1, establishes a policy of the Council for the solicitation and acceptance of gifts donated to city executive agencies, and

WHEREAS, the policy provides that an executive agency may request the Council's immediate consideration of a request for acceptance of a gift to the City to allow the agency's time-sensitive expenditure of the gift; and

WHEREAS, through a letter dated August 22, 2012, the Mayor's Office of Economic Development has submitted a request to the Council for acceptance of a gift from the Chengdu Municipal People's Government to attend the 2012 China International Friendship Cities Conference, providing ground transportation, accommodations, and meals, from September 11, 2012 to September 14, 2012; and

WHEREAS, the description and value of the gift is set forth in the Declaration of Gift form, Exhibit A once it is executed by the donor; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City and County of Honolulu that this body accept the gift of travel estimated at \$1,600.00 by Chengdu Municipal People's Government, that is more fully described in the above-mentioned letter dated August 22, 2012; and



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### **RESOLUTION**

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the Mayor.

	INTRODUCED BY:
DATE OF INTRODUCTION:	
Honolulu, Hawaii	Councilmembers

# 中国人民对外友好协会 THE CHINESE PEOPLES ASSOCIATION FOR FRIENDSHIP WITH FOREIGN COUNTRIES

## 国际友好城市联合

March 13, 2012

#### Invitation to the

### 2012 China International Friendship Cities Conference

Dear Mayor Peter Carlisle,

First of all, on behalf of the Chinese People's Association for Friendship with Foreign Countries (CPAFFC) and the China International Friendship Cities Association (CIFCA) and in my own name, I'd like to express high respect and sincere thanks to the local government officials of various of international countries and representatives friendship-city organizations who have, over the years, made unremitting efforts and great contributions to the development of international friendship cities. I am pleased to inform you that after the successful holding of the China International Friendship Cities Conference in Beijing and Shanghai in 2008 and 2010 respectively, we have decided to host such a conference

The theme of the conference is "Green Life, Happy Cities". Topics which

again in Chengdu from 11 to 14 September, 2012.

bear closely on the future of cities such as international development

strategies, the transformation and leap-forward development, emergency

response systems, aging of the population and tourism cooperation will

be discussed, experience shared and achievements showcased.

The conference aims to provide a view-exchanging platform for Chinese

and other countries' friendship cities, local governments, friendship-city

organizations, and agencies and people engaged in the research of

friendship-city management so as to pursue multilateral cooperation and

win-win progress for friendship cities. We are going to meet and discuss,

based on the development and specified features of friendship cities,

strategies on how to tackle difficulties and hotspot issues during urban

development, draw upon successful experience of all parties and boost

the flourishing of urban civilization.

Let us join hands and work together for a bright future for international

friendship cities!

I look forward to meeting you in Chengdu.

Yours sincerely

Li Xiaolin

President of the CPAFFC

Legal Representative of the CIFCA



August 7, 2012

The Honorable Peter Carlisle Mayor of Honolulu Honolulu Hale 530 South King Street, Room 300 Honolulu, HI, 96813

Dear Mayor Carlisle,

On behalf of Sister Cities International, I would like to invite you to join our delegation to the China International Friendship Cities Conference in Chengdu, China from September 11-13, 2012. The conference is hosted by the Chinese People's Association for Friendship with Foreign Countries (CPAFFC) and the China International Friendship Cities Association (CIFCA).

This year's conference, with the theme "Green Life, Happy Cities," will include topics such as urban transition, development strategies in cities, emergency relief in cities, and aging populations in cities. Other discussions include regional forums, such as one that focuses on US-Chinese sister cities. This conference not only offers us an opportunity exchange ideas on cooperation and strengthening sister city relations, it also allows us to address difficult issues that we face as our cities develop.

CPAFFC and CIFCA will cover the cost of the hotel, conference registration and other expenses. Each delegate will be responsible for his/her own airfare. The majority of the Sister Cites delegation will travel from Beijing to Chengdu on September 10<sup>th</sup> and leave from Chengdu to Beijing on September 13<sup>th</sup>.

With your new sister city Chengdu as the host city, I would be delighted for you to join our delegation to the 2012 China International Friendship Cities Conference.

Please do not hesitate to contact me or Lula Chen (nchen@sister-cities.org) with any questions. I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely yours,

Mary D. Kane President & CEO

Sister Cities International